

#### Veterans' Program

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King County Veterans' Program Advisory Board
Meeting Summary
September 15, 2010
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Renton WorkSource

### Call to Order

King County Advisory Board, Rick Woodruff call the meeting to order at 6:45 pm

#### **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** Rick Woodruff, Lyle Stevenson, Eugene J. Vojir, Doug Hoople, David Waggoner, Roger Welles, Stan Gunno, Tom Leonard

### **Board Members Excused/Absent:**

Bill Metcalf, Harry Brown, Eddie Jensen, Art Dammkoehler, Debra Wood, Bill Wood, Carroll Fisher, Ray Tomlinson

## **County Staff Present:**

Fred Steele DCHS – King County Veterans Program Rita Sanchez DCHS – King County Veterans Program Joel Estey DCHS – King County Veterans Program

#### **Guest Present:**

### **Review of Meeting Summary**

June 2010 ACTION: No Minutes were approved

# **Committee Reports**

<u>Appeals:</u> Rick Woodruff – discussed the appeal meeting in August 2010. The KCVP Advisory Board Members Appeals Committee participated in this meeting and after reviewing the veteran's information and staff response, the Appeals Committee voted to uphold the decision made by the KCVP and its staff.

Budget & Finance: Budget committee did not meet.

<u>Programs</u>: The Program Committee will be meeting in October 2010 and provide a presentation at the October Advisory Board Meeting.



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<u>Monthly Reports:</u> Fred Steele - discussed the financial services for the Veterans Program and provided background information regarding services for the King County Veterans Programs, and the comparisons between the different service locations, which include Seattle, Renton, and all the Satellite Services. Fred discussed how the majority of services are attributable to the Seattle office while elaborating on the significant increase in clients served at the Satellite locations.

Included in the report was the comparison of the number of clients and financial services between 2009 to 2010, focusing on the difference in the number of client visits, unduplicated clients that were served which reflected an increase of 1.2% for 2010. Fred also discussed the difference in clients by War Era and how the increase in younger veterans seeking assistance. The total number of vouchers issued decreased, but the average amount of the voucher increased, but not significantly. KCVP is beginning to see an increase in the number of female veterans seeking services. The dollars available for direct service continue to be at budget and are being updated and reviewed on a bi-weekly basis.

Fred Steele - discussed the policy draft for recurring clients that return to the program for services more than three times in a six month period or more than two years in a row. He also explained the difference between Basic Service Clients and Case Managed Clients and how the VIBE data collection system will provide information on each client, the services provided, case plan details and measurement of client success for reporting purposes..

<u>Levy:</u> No levy report

<u>Speaking engagements:</u> Joel Estey discussed how many opportunities he has had to talk about the Levy and the Veterans Program since January 2010 with the opportunities to speak to more than 600 people. Joel also does outreach at the senior centers speaking to senior groups and church groups. Bob Ferguson has been doing speaking engagements to the service organizations. Joel sought referral opportunities from the Board to speak at Rotary groups and American Legions.

<u>Publicity:</u> Post an ad or announcement in the Newspaper for upcoming elections or meetings.

Legislative: No legislative and finance reports

# **Old Business**

Website updates:
Updated Minutes
How to access the program
Applications
How to become a member (Bylaws, RCW)
Contact information

#### **New Business**



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Regional meeting invitation for veteran Assistance Programs Andrew Consulting LLC/Team Building

# **Next Meeting**

October 19, 2010 Renton WorkSource KCVP (meeting time changed to morning 10:30 am)

## Good of the Order

East King County Veterans & Human Services Forum Requirements for benefits for PTSD has changed

# Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

